

The Discoverer

The monthly newsletter of the
First Unitarian Universalist Church of Columbus
93 W. Weisheimer Road, Columbus Ohio 43214

July/August, 2015

Our Mission Statement

We are here:

To learn and practice true hospitality
To revere the reasoning mind and the generous heart
To claim our diversity as a source of our strength, and
To relinquish the safety of our unexamined privilege
for the freedom to engage in transforming justice.

LINKS

Rev. Eric Meter, Associate Minister

The party is over. The last cannelloni has been eaten, the confetti swept into bins. And, recalling the downpour during the PRIDE 2015 parade, shoes and souls have been aired out once more. The Rev. Dr. Mark Belletini is now our Minister Emeritus. Yes, it still sounds surreal to say it.

Still, we carry on, anticipating the arrival our new Interim Senior Minister, the Rev. Jennifer Brooks, later this summer.

Of course we will miss Mark. Loss and grief are inherent parts of lives well-lived. And while any interim period is one of reflection and transition, the construction equipment and the desert-class air conditioning in the restroom trailer in our parking lot will continue to remind us that we have entered a period of significant change in the life of First UU.



For a congregation used to near-constant activity, the capital campaign construction projects may force us to slow down a bit. That would be just fine. Every organization can use some time of re-prioritizing every few years.

That said, our programs for children and youth will continue, as will our Covenant and Wellspring groups. As you may know, Lane Campbell will be taking over our Coming of Age class and I've begun providing oversight to our Adult Programs. While I will miss COA, I was ready for a new challenge and I'm very excited about the possibilities of more integrated adult programs here at the church. Rev. Kathleen Fowler and I will lead another installment of the Grief Recovery Method class this autumn. The church choirs will continue to work their magic. (ESOL) English for Speakers of Other Languages classes will resume at summer's end.

So, in the midst of change, familiar elements will certainly remain. As in any time of transition, the currents of change are larger than any of us individually. As I think about where we've been and where we might be headed, I'm reminded of the reading from Rev. John Buehrens with which we close our Path to Membership classes. In part he writes,

Blessed are those who yearn for deepening more than escape; who are not afraid to grow in spirit. Blessed are those who take seriously the bonds of community; who regularly join in celebration and learning, who come as much to minister as to be ministered unto. Blessed are those who speak their minds, who can take and give criticism; who keep alive their sense of humor. Blessed are those who know that the work of the church is the transformation of society; who have a vision of Beloved Community transcending the present, and who do not shrink from controversy, sacrifice or change.

Time and time again, I've seen just those qualities on display around First UU. Those blessings and more are still available to us.

One party is over. Other celebrations await.

After General Assembly, I'll be taking a couple weeks of vacation, returning to the church on July 15. If you have a pastoral need before then, Rev Kathleen Fowler and Ben Iten are available by calling the church office.

In shared faith,

Eric

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CIRCLES OF TRUST

This column is a forum where folks who have participated in either a Covenant or Wellspring group have the opportunity to share their experience with our congregation. New groups are forming now for the 2015-2016 year, to begin in a couple of months in September or October of 2015. The following is by Georgia Glunt:



I'm a relative newcomer to First UU, though it will soon be three years. Now, I'd say that my personality tends to introvert until I become acquainted. My first year I kind of "lurked," as they say on Facebook. Just seeing what the church was all about. I wasn't even sure I wanted to be in a place that called itself a church, though I'd been familiar with First UU, as I've lived in Clintonville for many years.

When I decided to visit for the first time, I was looking for a new direction for my life, a place to be me, to express myself without judgment, a place to grow as a person. I considered myself to be a spiritual person, but I was stuck after a number of difficult years and knew I could no longer go it alone.

At the end of my second summer here, I was lucky enough to be at the service where the participants of that year's Wellspring spoke about their experiences. Their words and emotions were so moving that I knew I wanted to stop lurking and find out more! I signed up right after the service ended! The day of orientation, my introversion kicked in, but serendipitously, there was an extravert in the crowd who came to my aid! Since then, I've come to find out that UU gatherings are full of people who are kind and helpful—I just hadn't been in a place to welcome it before now.

I am now finishing my second year of participating in a Wellspring group, and I can say that I feel more connected to First UU, and I also feel calmer and more centered in my life. I have returned from the dark place of a few years ago, I still visit—but I don't stay. I know now that there is strength to be found by being a part of this community. There is also compassion and acceptance and a great deal of fun and laughter!

In Peace, Georgia Glunt

Two similar but distinct options for small group ministry at First UU are Covenant Group and the Wellspring Program. In large churches such as ours, the Covenant Group and the Wellspring Program provide the individual an opportunity to participate in a small group setting, allowing for one to explore deeper connections to one's self and to their community.

Covenant Group comments:

- "It's a great way to get to know congregants on a deeper level than the conversation during coffee hour."
- "In Covenant group, you really learn to listen to one another."
- "Each covenant group decides on a service project to do together which supports the church or larger community."

Wellspring Program comments:

- "Having prior Covenant Group experience before participating in the Wellspring program enabled me to listen for my own voice through the hearing of others."
- "Speaking without crosstalk or interruption allowed me to reflect and explore my own spirituality."
- "Seeing a Spiritual Director on a monthly basis is not like therapy, but was more like having someone to guide me into creating more meaning in my life."
- "I appreciated the variety of resources that were used to gather wisdom from the topics we explored."
- "Through the sharing and learning of spiritual practices, I have incorporated many practices into my daily life. This has brought me more connection and ease throughout my everyday life."

For more information regarding either Covenant Groups or the Wellspring Program, and to sign up for the upcoming program year (Wellspring starts this September, and Covenant Groups start this October; both programs go through May of 2016), please contact: Eric Meter, Associate Minister, ericm@firstuucolumbus.org (614) 267-4946.

If you have participated in a Wellspring or Covenant group, and would like to share your experience by writing one of our columns, please contact Doris Cornell dorcornell@yahoo.com (740) 504-6833.

GROWING AS WE GO

Lane Campbell, Director of Religious Education

Justice Week 2015: Reporting Back!

I am writing to you just beaming with pride this week. (And it's not because I'm still drying out from marching in the Columbus PRIDE parade.) During Justice Week, June 15-19, First UU hosted 18 youth from Columbus, all over Ohio, and even Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. We came together in a circle of chairs in our Worship Center to learn about racial and economic justice.



The week began with a program designed by myself and Will Petrik, a local economic justice activist. Our youth learned about zero-tolerance policies, discipline policies in their schools that mandate suspension or expulsion for disruptive behavior, insubordination, or violence. We discovered that these policies disproportionately affect youth of color and youth who have disabilities. The other issue we learned about was raising the minimum wage. There is a movement currently building in Columbus to raise the minimum wage to \$12, which would make a huge difference for many of the families and individuals in Columbus whose lives are touched by poverty.

We served lunches for the Beechwold-Clintonville Community Resources Center in the Broadmeadows neighborhood. There, we were able to meet our neighbors who are currently struggling financially. Our youth had a special opportunity to connect with children in this neighborhood, as the program offers games and fun activities kids can take part in while also receiving a free lunch.

On Thursday, our youth lobbied their representatives for elimination of zero-tolerance policies in our local school systems, particularly in the cities they all hailed from. Youth told their stories and the stories of their friends' struggles with these policies. They researched their own data to bring to the table about the benefits of eliminating such systems. And we actually had a line in a budget that was just created, offering a tiered alternative to school discipline statewide, meaning different circumstances would be treated as they come, rather than a one-size-fits-all policy. Our youth were courageous and professional. We even had a chance to be recognized on the Ohio State Senate floor by Senator Edna Brown from Toledo, Ohio.

The last leg of our outing on Thursday brought us to the Freedom Schools, a national program that works to eliminate child poverty through reading. The local program has quite a different flavor, teaching children and youth about African history and economic realities in the United States. The students are then encouraged to take action on issues affecting their lives. Last year, they held a direct action at the Statehouse addressing zero-tolerance policies in schools. During Justice Week, youth from our church sat around the table in a room with youth from economically disadvantaged backgrounds, and we began the conversation about how to eliminate zero-tolerance policies together. It was heartbreaking to hear the differences in the stories from the youth at Freedom Schools and the youth from Justice Week. Many of our youth had never been suspended, while quite a few of the youth we visited had been. There is a possibility for more conversation in the future and further action together.

We finished the week by debriefing and having a pizza party. Many youth also marched in the PRIDE parade, while it was soaking wet outside, on Saturday, June 20. While youth marched with members of our church, we continued to chant, "What do we want? JUSTICE! When do we want it? NOW!" Stay tuned for a summer worship service where we have the chance to share with the entire church what we have learned.

Lane

Register for Peace Camp Our summer program for kids in kindergarten-7th grade. We're now full for the second week, August 3-7, but still have a few slots in the first week, July 27-31. To sign your kid(s) up for a week of building peace within themselves, among friends, and between communities, go to <http://www.firstuucolumbus.org/children/peace-camp>

Taking a Different Path to Summer Sunday School Due to construction, the usual way we get to our classrooms is blocked. We ask that you go through the Asian Garden and around the playgrounds to get to the classrooms.

Volunteer for Religious Education If you're interested in teaching Sunday School, welcoming new families, or helping kids be better justice-makers, we have great ways for you to volunteer. Lane Campbell, lane@firstuucolumbus.org.

Signing Our Kids in to Keep Them Safe This fall, we will begin having parents sign their kids in to Sunday School who are in 3rd grade and below. This ensures the right person is picking our kids up from their classes.

CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

Grief Recovery Class 7-9pm Tuesdays, September 15 - November 14 (no class Sept. 29). When you have experienced a significant loss in your life, someone may have suggested that you let go and move on. But how? The Grief Recovery Method provides a clear way forward. Whether your loss is from the death of a loved one, divorce or the end of another significant relationship, the loss of a career, faith or health, this program may be just what you're looking for. There is a \$25 fee for materials, though scholarships are available. The class is limited to 12 participants. For questions or to register, contact Rev. Eric, and have your check (written to First UU) to the church by September 4.

Call for Art and Poetry In the fall, our members show will be called: "Our house is a very, very, very fine house!" (Yes, it's a 60's song title.) The theme of the show is, again, our 75th anniversary, part 2: "Where do we go from here?" We're looking for works which show our fine home here at First UU, or what's important to you here in the coming years. This can be in written word or visual image. We would like to post poetry, too, alongside our two-dimensional art.

In late October there will be another anniversary celebration focusing on the future. This would be a great exhibit to complement the October event.

Let me know if you will participate—and don't make this too hard on yourself. Do what brings you joy at First UU! Take-in date will be August 23, after Sunday service. There will be a reception later in September. Deb Baillieul, [614-447-1223](tel:614-447-1223), debbsyc@yahoo.com

We have a partner church in Bölön, Romania, and members of First UU have made two pilgrimages there. In gratitude for their generous hospitality, we have invited the minister Albert Kozma, his wife Erica, and a translator, to visit First UU and Central Ohio. We hope they'll be able to join us for General Assembly in Columbus in June, 2016. To help raise funds for their travel expenses, we're planning a Hungarian dinner followed by folk dancing in November. To sign up to help, contact Danya Furda, dfurda@gmail.com or Elaine Fujimura, elaine.fujimura@gmail.com.

The First UU Library is closed, due to construction. If you have books to return, please take them to the Workroom. Place them in the wire basket marked "BOOK RETURN" in the bookcase next to the copy machine. Call Kathleen at 262-4025 with questions.

Book Bites will meet July 21, Slowter Lounge, 7-9pm. Topic: Revolutionary Ideas. Kathleen Boston, 262-4025.

Family Fellowship Looking for more connection or maybe just something to do with the whole family on a Friday night? Come meet new friends and reconnect with old. Bring food for your own family and we'll start at 6:30 with dinner; then the kids can play while the adults who want to will discuss the month's topic. We'll wrap up at 8:30 with a game for everyone, then clean up. Questions? Contact christine.davidson@outlook.com. Dates and discussion topics: July 10 (Parenting Goals), August 14 (Finding Joy In Unlikely Places) and September 11 (The Balance of Independence): 6:30pm-9pm in Rooms 9&10. No registration required.

Is Reincarnation a Possibility? You decide, on September 18 and 19! Adult Programs is sponsoring a lecture/workshop to explore the possibility of multiple evolving lives for human beings, at First UU Friday evening, September 18 and all day Saturday, September 19. The concept of reincarnation is a belief held by many of the world's leading religions.

Dr. Christopher Bache, professor of religious studies at Youngstown University, will lead the event titled: *The Birth of the Diamond Soul: Reincarnation, the Planetary Crisis, and the Future Human*. His book on the topic is *Lifecycles: Reincarnation and the Web of Life*.

On Friday, September 18, the lecture, "Rethinking Reincarnation," in the Worship Center at 7:00-8:30pm, will consist of an overview of evidence from around the world and through the ages for and against the possibilities. On Saturday, September 19, you can delve deeper into the questions with the workshop, "The Birth of the Diamond Soul in History," in Fellowship Hall at 9:30-3:30. Box lunches can be pre-ordered along with registration. Costs for both events will be published in a flyer in July.

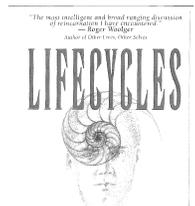
Interested in learning more before the September event? Rev. Kathleen Fowler will lead a book discussion series on Dr. Bache's book, available at the First UU Bookstore. Tentative dates: Tuesdays, August 4 and 25 and Thursday, September 8 (at 7:30).

If you'd like to help with planning and organizing, please contact us: Rev. Kathleen Fowler, 614-263-4404, kathleenclarkfowler@gmail.com or Michael or Donna Greenman, 614-898-5825

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Feed My Sheep Food Pantry needs canned food for our friends in Athens County. Bring donations to the Justice Action Ministry table in Fellowship Hall Sunday. During the summer, we can accept donations **only on Sunday morning after the service.**



CARING CORNER

Thank you to the following people who assisted with Myra Hine's memorial service and reception on June 4: Sue Vierow, Olwen Firestone, Paula Hook, Patty Monroe, Jo-E. Miller, Les Kleen, Bob Wilhelm, Bob Mills, Karen Nekervis, Claire Bauza, Jane Young, Kathleen Boston, Fluff Fiscus, Glenn Waring, Amelia Carr, Karen Keenan, and Vanda Hughes. Also: Myra's grandchildren, Olivia, Ashley, Sam and Andrew. Everyone appreciated the food from Myra's family members and her son Justin's church.

~Chris Sullivan and Carole Wilhelm, co-coordinators.

Caroline Balderston Parry, former First UU Director of Religious Education, celebrated her 70th birthday, and also retired as DRE at the Unitarian Church of Montreal.

Rev. Kathleen Fowler's birthday was on June 25.

Stephanie Rottmayer retired as Director of First UU's School for Young Children. **Amy Rudawsky** and **Susan Roscigno** are now co-directors of SYC.

Wendy Boortz's daughter **Heather** graduated from Olin College of Engineering with a degree in Engineering with Robotics, and her daughter **Julia** is engaged to marry Kyle Moffett in California in August.

Judy Field's daughter Andrea had a baby girl, Isabelle Louise, on May 19, in Paris. The naming ceremony for **Ruth Charlotte** and **Lillian Fast**, twin daughters of **Sarah Morris** and **Jeff Elliott**, and sisters to Mara, took place on May 17 at First UU.

Lindsey Robison, daughter of **Carol and Rob Robison**, completed dog training school at the National K-9

Damaris Walker, granddaughter of **Cathy Elkins**, graduated from Fort Hayes Arts High School Learning Center to become a certified dog trainer.

Susan Mesler-Evans, daughter of **Paul Evans**, graduated with honors, from Merritt Island High School in Merritt Island, FL.

Marian Clover is celebrating the publication of her book *The Seafarers*. Marian is the author of books of poetry and non-fiction, including *Scandinavian Minnen* (pronounced MEAN-en), "Scandinavian Memories."

A nonprofit founded by **Gleb Tsipursky**, Intentional Insights, was featured in the Columbus Dispatch. The nonprofit popularizes academic research on how reason-oriented people can improve their lives by learning the best strategies to modify their feelings, thoughts and behaviors. For information, see: <http://bit.ly/1Rfplja>

Barbara Avery is recovering from hip replacement surgery. **Tony Mayabb** is recovering from a recent surgical procedure on his spine. **Wendy Boortz** is recovering from pelvic floor surgery.

Myra Hine, our pianist for 42 years, died on Wednesday May 27. A memorial service was held for her on June 4.

Mike McGuire's father, Terry, died in Pittsburgh on June 15. **Carolyn Carlstrom's** mother died on June 6, and her sister died on June 9.

Our hearts go out to the members of Emanuel AME Church in Charleston, South Carolina. Their pastor, Rev. Clementa Pinckney and eight others were killed while at their church on the evening of June 17.

Concert: *Music in the Key of Life and Death* by Bill Cohen. Sunday, July 12, 7pm, Clintonville Community Resource Center, 14 W. Lakeview. No admission; donations welcome. Refreshments will be served. Co-sponsored by the Funeral Consumers Alliance and First UU's Caring Committee.

Parking at First UU

We ask that, for the remainder of the summer, you please park only in the main parking lot off Weisheimer Road. This goes for all activities at First UU—services, meetings and events.

Due to construction, there will be no easy access from the Panera lot into the main portions of the building.

Questions? Contact Brian Hagemann, brian@firstuucolumbus.org

FIRST UU MUSIC

Tony McDonald, Music Director

Summer Choir is a group that occasionally sings for the summer services. It is open to everyone, whether you sing with one of the regular choirs or not. What we usually do is meet at 9:00 am for rehearsal on Sunday morning, then sing at the 10:00 am service that day. That's it. Again, all are welcome to join in.

This summer, the choir will sing for only three or four Sundays, due to the transition in the directorship of Chalice Choir. Contact Tony McDonald, tonym@firstuucolumbus.org, for dates.

ARCHIVES TEAM

Linda Thompson, Archivist

Many thanks to the wonderful helpers that made our 75th anniversary event happen on May 30. Special thanks to our guest, Rev. Susan Ritchie. On the program were Celebration Coordinator Thom Pegan; Makayla and Marina McCreary; musicians Karen Thimmes; Nathan Hamm, Karen Madden, and the wondrous singers of Spirit of Life and Rising Voices; Deb Baillieul; John McCrystal; Rev. Mark Belletini; Rev. Eric Meter; and Laura Howe from OMD. Photographer Kay Gaskill. Reception chair Kay Fisher and the following persons who served as greeters and ushers and the reception creators (food and drink, set up, serving and clean up). Debbie Shaw & Carl Yaffey; Kathleen Boston; Sandy Coen; Tony Rice; Mike Shifrin; Judy Vasquez; Dennis Rankin & Wolf Salazar; Alison Katz; Ohma Willette; Danya Furda, & Jim Pinkham; Beth McCreary; Jane & John Reisman; Mike & Tawana Thorn; Don & Carolyn Hippensteel; Madeline Timmons & Bill Miller; Gina & Rylan Phillips; David & MaryLou MacDonald; Karen Erickson; Alex & Tori Lewis; Kelly, Nate & Harrison Blake; Mary Rogers; Nina Lewis & Lisa Applegate; Sally Luken; Cathy Elkins; Debra Boyd, Mark & Emma Merchant; Linda Cox; Betsy & Leigh Duckworth; Sharon Oliver; Tom Wheeler; Joan Matyskella; Alice Rathburn; Eve Catus; Steve Lovejoy; Becky Brunotte; Laurie Weltlin & Norm Maschner; Richard Rubin; Barry Keenan; Elaine Fujimura & Tony Skrabak; Kristen Figg & John Friedman; Marilyn Beerman; Terry LeMaster & Bob Letcher; Heather Pierson; Suzanne Koebel; Marguerite Molk; Gini Szabo; Nancy McDonald; Betsy and Guy Smalley; Carole Wilhelm; Kittie & Steve Palm-Houser; Max Schmidt-Shilling; Susan O'Donnell; Linda Royalty; Jeannie Sperling; Doris Cornell; Joe Del Medico; Pat Larson; Sarah Luckay; Patty Monroe; Sylvia Howe; Ginnie Vogts; David Richter; Thom Pegan, Kitty & Oliver Jones; Beth Scherer; Doris Oursler; and Linda Thompson. *We know that we may have missed some of you. We apologize for failing to list you so please let us know who you are.*



Thank you to all who came and made this a joyous celebration.

As 2015 reaches its midpoint, mark your calendars for the second 75th anniversary event: October 24, when we will welcome Carey McDonald, who will enlighten us on his work with the UUA to help reach more people with our message.

Doris Oursler and Linda Thompson, co-chairs

75th Anniversary Memories, Karen Torvik:

The first time I attended a social event at First UU was a Thanksgiving meal not too long after I had joined. I braved going alone, not knowing anyone, but Jo-E Miller came to sit with me and made me feel so welcomed and part of the community meal. Many other such instances of people welcoming and including me followed, as when Jo Dickinson invited me to be part of the Artist's Way group, or Wendy Boortz invited me to be a part of the Women's Sharing Circle.

The very inward and private strength that encircles a person when he or she is taken into a community and accepted and supported is so great. Being part of a community with common principles and philosophies is a huge platform upon which one can stand their ground and grow, develop and strengthen themselves in order to contribute to the world.

I personally feel such comfort in knowing of the spirituality and depth of love from this community which embraces and encourages the freedom of thought and liberal philosophy.

Time and again, it is said that people make all the difference, and yes, add my voice to that chorus. There are many opportunities for spiritual growth, like covenant groups, yoga, tai chi, poetry classes, book groups, or the Wellspring classes. Even the quiet that accompanies a person while tending to the gardens around the building helps to permeate the soul with peace.

Being a member of this community develops and enriches my being. So be it.

Rev. Eric Meter, Associate Minister	Lane Campbell, Director of Religious Education	Brian Hagemann, Church Administrator
Rev. Carol Brody, Minister Emerita	Deb McGuire, RE Assistant/Staff Secretary	Marian Garcia, Office Manager
Rev. Wendy Fish, Minister Emerita	Deb Cannon, Lead Toddler Room Teacher	Joe Voltolini, Bookkeeper
Rev. Mark Belletini, Minister Emeritus	Tony McDonald, Music Director	Naoko Kobayashi, Facilities Assistant
Rev. Kathleen Fowler, Minister Affiliated	Chris Dent, Chalice Choir Director	Cathy Hausmann, Facilities Assistant
Rev. Suzan McCrystal, Minister Affiliated	Nathan Hamm, Accompanist/Pianist	Susan Roscigno, SYC Co-Associate Director
Ben Iten, Campus Chaplain	Karen Madden, Choir Director	Amy Rudawsky, SYC Co-Associate Director

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Event Calendar, July/August, 2015

Recurring Events:

- Adult Programs Committee: 1st Thursday, 7-9pm
- Atheists/Skeptics/Humanists: 4th Tuesdays, 7pm
- Book Bites: 3rd Tuesday, 7pm
- Board Executive Council: 2nd Wednesday, 7pm
- Board of Trustees: 4th Wednesday, 7pm
- BREAD Team: 3rd Monday, 7pm
- Bridge Group (call 499-2434): 4th Sunday, 6pm
- Building and Grounds: 1st Monday, 7pm
- Care and Share Time Bank: 3rd Sunday, 7pm
- Caring Committee: 1st Tuesday, 7pm
- Committee on Shared Ministry: 2nd Sunday, 1pm
- Cooking for Faith Mission: 1st & 3rd Friday, 12pm
- Covenant Group Steering Team: 3rd Wednesday, 7pm
- Creative Open Studio: Monday, 3-5pm
- Dialogues with Dads: Monday, 7pm
- Families with Young Children: 2nd Saturday, 11am
- Family Fellowship: 2nd Friday, June - September
- Finance Committee: 3rd Tuesday, 7pm
- First Friday Potluck/Activities: 6:30pm
- Improvisational Dance: Thursday, 9:30am
- Justice Action Ministry: 4th Monday, 7pm
- Membership Committee: 2nd Fridays, 6:30pm
- Memoir Writing: 2nd Wednesday, 7pm
- Move to Amend: 3rd Saturday, 12pm
- Personnel Committee: 2nd Wednesday, 7pm
- PFLAG: 4th Sunday, 2pm
- RE Council: 2nd Thursday, 7pm
- Stewardship Committee: 3rd Tuesday, 7pm
- Strategic Planning: 2nd Sunday, 12:30pm
- This Month in Science: 2nd Tuesday, 7pm
- UU Dance Fellowship: Monday, 7pm
- Worship Committee: 1st Tuesday, 8pm
- Zen Meditation: Saturday, 8:30am; Tuesday, 7pm
(orientation 2nd Saturday, 8:30am; discussion
2nd Tuesday, 7:45pm)

Friday, July 3

6:30pm First Friday Potluck & Activities

Sunday, July 12

11:30am Young Adult Steering Team

Sunday, July 19

11:30pm Peace Camp Orientation

Thursday, July 23

6:00pm Summer Work Party

Saturday, July 25

6:30pm All-Soles Potluck & Contra Dance

Monday, July 27

Peace Camp (July 27 - 31)

Monday, August 3

Peace Camp (August 3 - 7)

Saturday, August 8

9:00am Central Ohioans for Peace Conference

Sunday, August 9

11:15am Free Book Exchange

11:30am Funeral Consumers Alliance Info Meeting

Saturday, August 15

7:30pm All-Soles Contra Dance

Sunday, August 16

11:30am Book Reading: *The Seafarers*
by Marian Clover

Friday, August 28

6:00pm Summer Work Party

6:00pm Board Retreat

Deadline for Newsletter Articles

The deadline for newsletter submissions is the **third Sunday of the month** (August and December are included with July and November issues, respectively).

The deadline for the September issue will be Sunday, August 16.

Please send articles to office@firstuucolumbus.org

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WORSHIP SERVICES

Sunday, July 5, 10am Morgan Patten
Privilege: Do You See What I See?

Sunday, July 12, 10am Steve Abbott
**Of Thee and Me: Justice, Equity, and
Compassion in Human Relations**

Sunday, July 19, 10am Wesley Thomspson
**Meeting People Where They Are vs. the Fierce
Urgency of Now**

Sunday, July 26, 10am Michael Greenman
Faith and Democracy

Sunday, August 2, 10am DRE Lane Campbell
Bringing Our Hearts to the Movement Moment

Sunday, August 9, 10am David Krohn
Asking Great Ultimate Questions

Sunday, August 16, 10am Dick Dawson
Experiencing Diversity and Radical Hospitality

Sunday, August 23, 10am Rev. Jennifer Brooks
Beginning Again

Sunday, August 30, 10am Denise Deschenes
**Mental Wealth: What I Learned
from My Patients**

Hearing devices and large print materials are
available at the rear of the Worship Center. Past
sermons can be found on our website.